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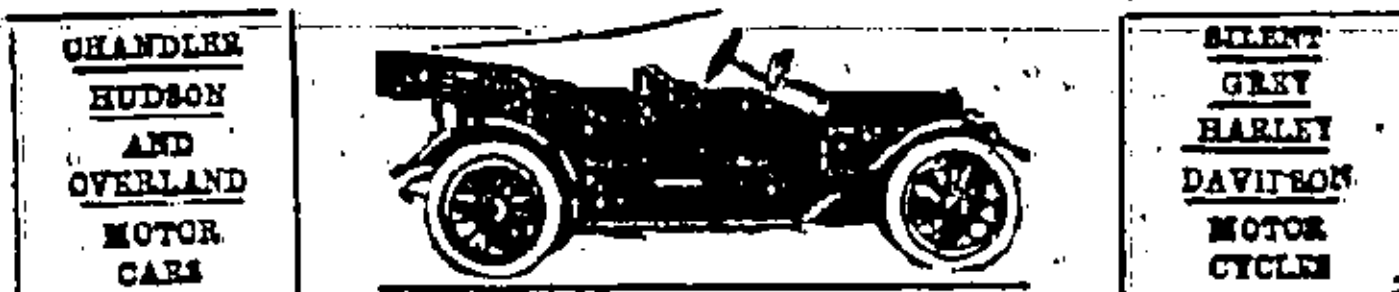
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## TO-DAY'S TELEGRAM.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Sept. 24.  
The Silver Market is steady.

### EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### STARTLING WAR REVELATIONS.

COPENHAGEN, September 22nd.  
A telegram from Vienna states that the Foreign Office has authorized the publication of official documents bearing on the origin of the war.  
These show that the Potsdam War Council of July, 1917, was really held in Vienna.  
The documents include two unpublished cipher telegrams dated July 23, 1917, in which the Austrian Ambassador in Berlin informed Count Berchtold, the result of an audience with the Kaiser, and conversations with Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg on the subject of the Austrian memorandum regarding Serbia.  
The Ambassador says that the Kaiser empowered him to inform Francis Joseph that he could count on the full support of Germany in any action against Serbia. It was the Kaiser's opinion that action should not be delayed, as Russia was not ready. The Kaiser added that Austria would regret it if the present favourable moment was not seized.  
Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg told the Ambassador that Austria could reckon on the support of her ally and friend, Germany. The Ambassador says that he presented himself in a further conversation, that Bethmann-Hollweg, like the Kaiser, regarded immediate action against Serbia as the best and most radical solution of Austria's difficulties in the Balkans.  
These telegrams were discussed in the Austro-Hungarian Ministerial Council at Vienna on July 24, 1917, at which all present expressed the opinion that war was inevitable, Count Tisza alone striving to prevent it.

**PROPOSED CLEARING HOUSE IN BERLIN.**  
LONDON, September 22nd.  
Mr. Knott, the President of the British Chamber of Commerce in Germany, who interviewed Herr Erzberger, the Finance Minister, and Herr Schmidt, the Minister of Economics, in regard to the proposed clearing house in Berlin to control all exports from Germany to the British Empire and imports from Britain to Germany, states that the German Government has consented in principle to British officials controlling the Licence Department of the Ministry of Economics.  
Any unlicensed exports to Britain or imports from Britain will be confiscated. This will prevent dumping of German goods in Britain. Germany, however, is at present unable to dump its stocks and manufactures in Germany are very small.  
Mr. Knott said that the idea was that German manufacturers should make offers to some central British organisation through the Berlin clearing house and only such offers as were accepted would be allowed to leave Germany. Therefore, the supply would only meet the demand. The idea of British control of the clearing house would be to see that exports would not exceed imports.

### PRESIDENT WILSON AND SHANTUNG.

LOS ANGELES, September 22nd.  
President Wilson, referring to Shantung, said that Britain and France could not honourably violate the secret treaties with Japan. The only way by which the case of Shantung could be bettered was to go to war against Britain, France and Japan.  
He asked whether those objecting to the Shantung settlement were ready to fight Britain, France and Japan, in order to recover the province for China.  
He knew they were not ready. Their interest in China was not to assist China, but to defeat the Peace Treaty.  
He concluded, amid cheers, by declaring that it was impossible for America now to desert her associates in the war.

### RECENT RIOTS IN EGYPT.

LONDON, September 22nd.  
It is officially stated that the Commission of Inquiry into the recent riots in Egypt and the future government of Egypt consists of Lord Milner (Chairman), Sir Rennell Rodd, General Sir John Maxwell, General Sir Owen Thomas, Messrs. J. A. Sponner, editor of the *Westminster Gazette*, and Harist, Legal Adviser to the Foreign Office.

### RELIGIOUS ROYAL FAMILY.

BRUSSELS, September 22nd.  
Their Belgian Majesties and Prince Leopold left Brussels today for Ostend, where they will embark on the *George Washington*, for the United States.

### THE RECENT FLOODS IN TEXAS.

NEW YORK, September 22nd.  
A telegram from Corpus Christi, Texas, now states that nearly 400 persons were drowned owing to the floods. Altogether 800 men, women and children perished.

### ITALIAN CROWN PROPERTY.

ROME, September 22nd.  
The Chamber has adopted, by 177 votes to 39, a Bill providing for the cession of Crown property for national purposes. The Royal palace handed over will be maintained as monuments of art.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

### HAVAS REVIEW.

PARIS, September 20th.  
Under a scheme submitted to the Commission of the Senate, the French Army in the future will number, in peace time, 350,000 men, 150,000 being recruited voluntarily, and the remainder by conscription for one year's service. Thus, the number of conscripts enrolled every year will be only one-third of the pre-war rate. For mobilisation, the Army will be 2,000,000 strong.  
The Territorial Army will form another organization, also 2,000,000 strong.  
After a lively debate, in the Chamber of Deputies, on the proposition to postpone the application of the new electoral law until next year, the proposal was abandoned.  
M. Clemenceau announced that, as soon as the Peace Treaty has been ratified, the Government will fix a date for the elections under the new law.

### BRITISH LABOUR UNREST.

LONDON, September 22nd.  
The strike of 50,000 iron workers, if it lasts even a few days, will affect several important Allied trades, especially engineering and shipbuilding.  
It is alleged that the iron workers, by striking, have broken the agreement between the engineering employers and the engineering and iron work Trade Unions, under which it was agreed that changes in wages in these trades should be dealt with nationally.  
Other Trade Unions observed the agreement loyally. The iron workers maintain that they acted constitutionally by giving three weeks' notice to terminate their agreement. On the contrary, the employers and others maintain that the agreement could not constitutionally be ended in this manner.  
General Labourites, including Mr. Arthur Henderson, opposed the strike. It is stated that many of the rank and file are lukewarm or hostile.  
A nation-wide strike of 600,000 steel workers is announced to begin to-day. Their demands include an eight-hour day and a six-day week.

### BOLSHEVIKS PROPOSE PEACE WITH UKRAINIANS.

LONDON, September 22nd.  
Reuter has been informed that the Bolsheviks' Delegation have proposed peace with the Ukrainians on the basis of the independence of the Ukraine, with the condition that the latter remain neutral in the struggle against General Denikin and Admiral Kolchak.  
This delegation declared that the Moscow Government has decided to conclude peace with all the National Governments in order to crush the counter-revolution.

### THE BALTIC STATES.

COPENHAGEN, September 22nd.  
The Latvian Information Bureau says that the Armistice conditions which will be presented to the Soviet of Russia by the three Baltic States will include the regulation of the frontier on an ethnographic basis, the creation of a neutral zone in which a neutral Power will maintain order, and the surrender of the Bolshevik Fleet to a neutral Power.

### CONCENTRATION OF YUGO-SLAV VOLUNTEERS.

COPENHAGEN, September 22nd.  
It is semi-officially stated that movements of Yugo-Slav troops and the concentration of Yugo-Slav Volunteer detachments are reported from the neighbourhood of the armistice line and Dalmatia.

### REPATRIATION OF CZECHO-SLOVAK TROOPS.

PARIS, September 22nd.  
The Supreme Council has decided to repatriate 50,000 Czecho-Slovak troops in Siberia. The Council has discussed the necessary measures, especially the question of shipping, which will be furnished by the United States, France and Britain.

### AN ESTHONIAN COMMUNIQUE.

COPENHAGEN, September 22nd.  
An Esthonian communiqué reports fierce fighting in the direction of Pskoff. Many enemy attacks on our trenches were repulsed with heavy enemy loss.

### A WOMAN SMUGGLER.

A man and a woman were charged before Mr. Lindell this morning with the unlawful possession of 8974 tins of prepared opium valued at \$4,700, found on a junk which was lying off Connaught Road Central. The woman said the man was not responsible and took all the blame on herself. The man was then discharged. Sergeant Cockle said the opium was concealed underneath some planks and all had to be taken out before the opium was seized. Defendant said a passenger left a parcel and she did not know it contained opium. His Worship sentenced her to nine months' hard labour.

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## DINNER REFUSED.

Following the refusal by the local discharged and demobilised men to attend a dinner in their honour the Guildford Town Council decided to abandon the dinner.

The men's refusal was a protest against the Town Council appointing as borough surveyor and engineer, Mr. Ernest Minors, deputy borough surveyor of Darlington. Of six applicants selected for interview, out of 67, Mr. Minors, aged 37, was said to be the only one who had not served in the Army.

The ex-Service members of the National Federation declined to take part in the celebrations "as a protest against the unwarrantable action of the local authority in deliberately passing over the ex-Service men. This action is a gross breach of the promise so often repeated that the men to whom this country owes its very existence to-day shall be remembered in future." It was also decided not to accept the mayor's signed thanks for their services.

At a meeting of the council dinner committee it was pointed out that the dinner was being given by the townspeople and not by the council.

## SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

List of vessels in port this morning.

British—	Japanese—
Haihong	Tamora Maru
Thongwa	Daitoku Maru
Sunning	Toyo Maru
Teenkai	Tango Maru
Paoting	Ujo Maru
Loksang	Sosho Maru
Hong Moh	Kairu Maru
Yuenyang	Nippon Maru
Circe Shell	Amakusa Maru
Foochow	Hoten Maru
Glenfallach	Masayoshu Maru
Brisbane	
Jason	Chinese—
Laisang	Tsenglee
	Yangtszekiang
Norwegian—	Kwaugie
Hero	Chikshang
Hermelin	Stunshang
	Nankam
American—	French—
Brooklyn	Hanoi
Tancerville	Songma
	Kaiping
Russian—	
Olaf	

## DEBTS OF DUKE'S HEIR.

**LORD E. FITZGERALD'S CONTRACT WITH MR. MALLABY DELEY.**

Lord Edward Fitzgerald, who failed last March with liabilities £68,008 (unsecured £31,203) and assets estimated at £18,770, came up on Aug. 5 for public examination in the London Bankruptcy Court, before Mr. Registrar Hope.

In reply to the Official Receiver, Lord Edward stated that he had failed on two previous occasions, but in July 1918 the proceedings in both bankruptcies were annulled, the debts in each case having been paid in full.  
In March 1916 his elder brother Desmond was killed, and he became heir-presumptive to his brother, the sixth Duke of Leinster, who was 32 years of age, unmarried, and an imbecile. His present liabilities were contracted after he became heir-presumptive.

In July 1917 he was invalided out of the Army with a pension of £100 a year, and he commenced immediately to borrow from money-lenders, regardless of what interest he was to pay, because, as he explained, when the time came the Court would protect him from extortionate interest. From March 1916 he had paid or owed £31,000 for interest and commission.

**"£400,000 ACCUMULATED INCOME."**  
On January 31, 1918, he entered into a contract with Mr. Mallaby Deley, to sell his interest in the Leinster estates to that gentleman for £75,000 and an annuity of £1,000. At the time there was an accumulation of income of £400,000, the income from the estates being roughly £45,000 a year, and the maintenance of his brother in his present deplorable condition was not large.  
Lord Edward said that he declined to go on with the contract, and in November 1918 he took proceedings to rescind it. In the following March terms of compromise were arranged, under which the purchase price was fixed at £87,500, and he was to be entitled, at any time within ten years, to repurchase for the sum of £400,000.

He admitted that his present position was entirely due to extravagance. On the application of the trustee the examination was adjourned.

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Hongkong, September 23, 1919.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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For the Committee of the Hongkong Stock Exchange.  
W. LOGAN,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, September 23, 1919.

## NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS with the exception of persons of Chinese race, wishing to leave the Colony must have in their possession a VALID PASSPORT. Passengers not in possession of passports will not be allowed to leave the Colony.

All persons, with certain exceptions, who remain in the Colony for more than 7 days are required to Register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS ORDINANCE 1914. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.P.O. and at all Police Stations.

The Penalty for non compliance is a fine not exceeding \$50.

E. D. C. WOLFE,  
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Hongkong, September 23, 1919.

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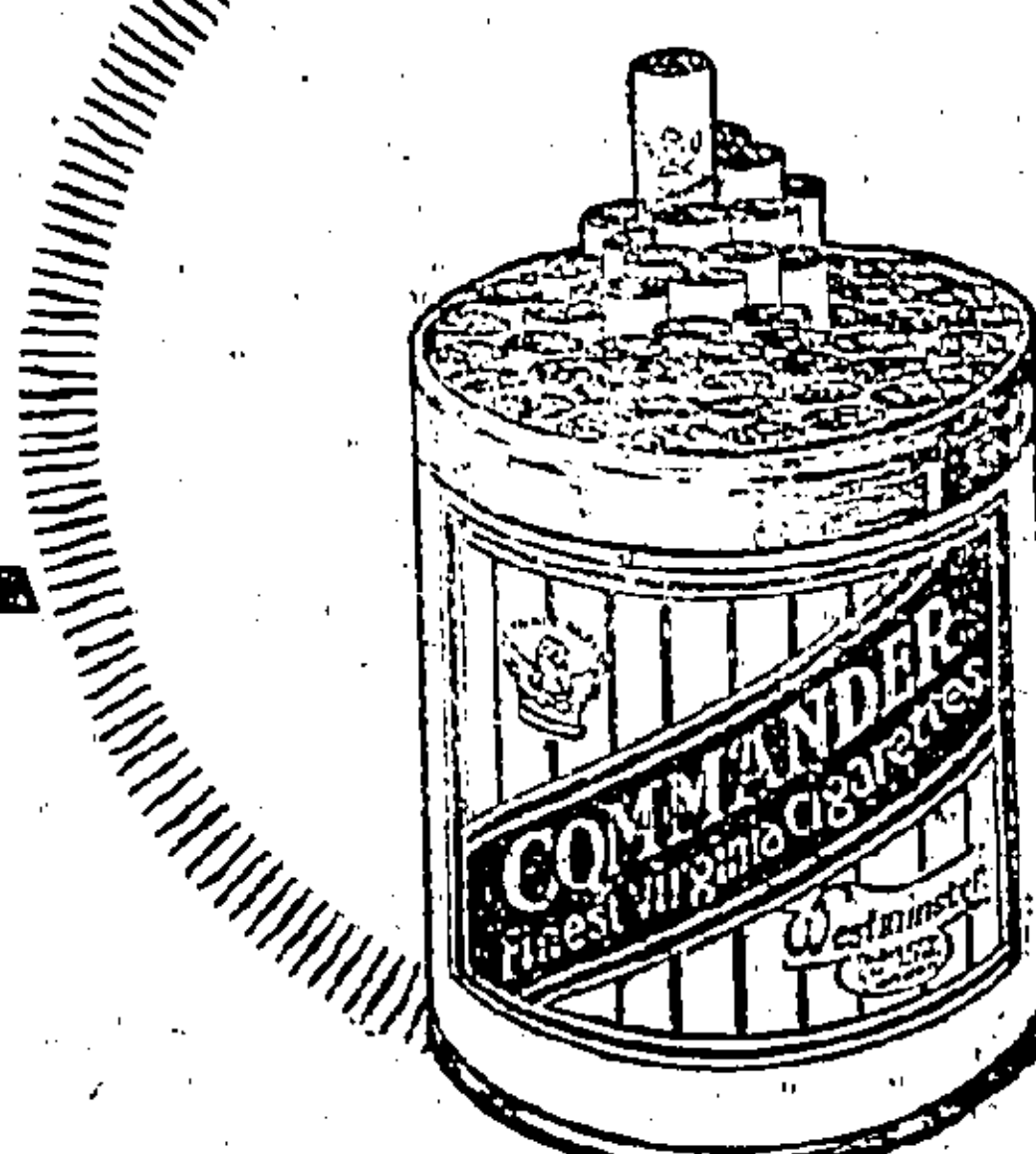
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## LUDENDORFF'S \$12,000.

A Man of Kent. (Sir W. Robertson, Knight in the British Weekly says: "General Ludendorff's 'Own Story' will be published this month on both sides of the Atlantic. In spite of the strong patriotic technical objections, many publishers against such a work, the price paid for British and American rights is between \$10,000 and \$12,000.")

## JAPAN PEACE STAMPS.

The first "Peace" stamps reach the War Stamp Exhibition at 110, Strand, on the fifth anniversary of the war. They have been issued by Japan, and are from designs by two celebrated Japanese artists, Okada and Yuki. There are two designs, in each of which figures a dove; and there are four denominations, 11 sen brown, 3 sen green, 1 sen carmine, and 1/2 sen blue.

## \$151,000,000 FROM WAR BOOTY.

The latest official return says the value of sales of surplus Government property is now \$141,000,000. The main items are \$1,058,217 for horses and animals, \$2,070,710 for textiles, leather and equipment; \$1,033,018 for mechanical transport; \$2,593,108 for food; \$2,564,338 for ferrous metals, \$13,075,339 for non-ferrous metals; and \$14,720,388 for chemicals and explosives.

## IMPRESARIO'S FUNERAL.

Fengle Emanuel, as well as 43rd Street outside, were packed with crowds of theatrical stars, singers, and comedians, who came to attend the funeral of Oscar Hammerstein at New York recently. The pall was borne by six leading theatre managers of New York. Mr. John McCormack, who was first brought to the United States by the dead impresario, had asked to be allowed to sing at the funeral service, and he sang Hammerstein's two favourite songs, "The Mystery of Life" and "The Last Chord."

## THE ENTERPRISING GERMAN.

As showing the eagerness with which Germany is seeking to re-establish trade with Britain, now that the postal censorship has ceased, a gentleman in North Wales has received a letter from a firm in Cologne, in which the writer apologises for troubling a stranger, but says he has obtained his address from a German firm with whom the British stranger had done business ten years ago. The writer enclosed a postal order asking for addresses of all British hosiery and other firms with whom he could open business.

## DISCHARGED SOLDIERS' FUNERALS.

An Army Council instruction states that the sum of £7 10s. (which can be refunded by the Ministry of Pensions) is now allowed in respect of the expenses of a civil funeral for a discharged soldier whose death was attributable to a disability due to or aggravated by service during the present war.

## A FINE IN THE OLD DOG YET.

He is 14 years of age, nearly blind and the poor thing, who has been a faithful friend through a lot of adversity, never goes out," said an elderly lady when summoned at Kingston, recently, for allowing her dog to be unmuzzled. "I am alone," she added, "and I only keep it because it has been so faithful. It has got no strength, and I feed round the garden twice a day." She was fined £1.

## GIRL CLERK'S MISTAKE.

Lucinda Nance Frost, 18, described as a clerk, of Maydale Road, Clifton, was charged at North London with assaulting Constable Alfred Wade, a plain-clothes officer, by striking him with an umbrella at Lower Clapton-road. She admitted striking the officer, but explained that there was a disorderly crowd, and some constables in uniform were having a rough time with violent persons. The prosecutor pushed his way into the crowd and took hold of one of the prisoners. She thought he was a constable on strike, and could not resist fighting him with her umbrella, as she believed he was interfering with the men who were doing their duty. Constable Wade admitted that such a mistake might have been made, and Mr. Symonds discharged the girl.

## R.A.F. GIFT TO A GERMAN.

Seven thousand German prisoners, paraded at Dorchester, internment camp recently for the presentation of a R.A.F. gift to Pte. Bruckmann for bravery in an accident to two British aeroplanes at Salisbury Plain.

The machines collided in the air and one fell in flames. Bruckmann, a prisoner, working near, went to the burning aeroplane and rescued two officers. One died from his injuries. Bruckmann was severely burned. In recognition of his plucky act an officer of the Royal Air Force, on parade handed him a sum of money and a silver watch and chain. On receiving the gift the young German saluted smartly and his comrades stood at attention. The War Office has also recognized Bruckmann's pluck by granting him repatriation, and he is leaving for Germany at once.

## SWEDISH DIPLOMATS SCANDAL.

The Swedish Attorney-General has ordered the institution of legal proceedings against seven Swedish diplomatic and consular officials previously in Petrograd and Moscow for irregularities and neglect in the handling of large warlike deposits placed with the legation and consulates there, some of which they are unable to account for. Amongst those indicted are the Swedish Minister to Russia (M. Demandstroom), the Cabinet Secretary (M. Dostrow), and the Legation Secretary (Baron Koskull). Proceedings are being taken on the ground that they have not properly supervised the handling of deposits.

## FRENCH MEMORIALS TO BRITISH.

The people of France do not intend to let the memory of five years' close association with our Tommies fade, for although the British troops are gradually leaving the country, even when the last man has departed there are still to remain tangible memorials to those days when they fought side by side.

The town of Havre intends to erect a suitable monument at the entrance to the harbour, where thousands of our men obtained their first glimpse of the country where they were to experience what modern war means, while at Dunkirk the townspeople are considering a project for the erection of a Merchant Service Club and Seamen's Institute. This is to mark the nation's recognition of the men of the Fleet and their auxiliaries, and the latest plan is to build an imposing monument to our Indian soldiers, who, with France's own coloured troops, did yeoman service in holding up the field-grey borders of Germany.

## VICTORY REWARDS.

In recalling previous war awards the endowment of John Churchill, first Duke of Marlborough, should not be overlooked. He received no great lump sum; an annuity of \$5,000 was the most Parliament offered as a reward for his victories. But he received an income infinitely greater than any General of later days. His pay as General of the English forces was £10,000 a year, supplemented by a similar sum from the States General, \$5,000 as Master of the Ordnance, and £2,000 as Colonel of the Guards, were other plumes, and \$15,000 annuity passed through his hands nominally for secret service.

His income for many years was estimated at £40,000, and in addition, the admirable Sarah, his wife, contributed to the family coffers £7,500, received for various Court appointments.

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## HILLS AND HOMES.

These heartrending tales of house and flat hunting in Hongkong call to mind the quite different troubles of a man who once lived here. They all want their houses or flats to be in Respectable Road, on the proper level, or at least in Conventional Terrace in the Right Quarter, and that makes it difficult, because so many into few won't go, and lots over. But this man was speaking of didn't know that it mattered what his address was, and he lived all over the place. Sometimes he had Portuguese neighbours who made their piano work very hard for its living, and sometimes Chinese neighbours who conversed in that loud way that makes you think they are angry when they are not, and these things to him made no difference. Only he knew there was something wanting, and that if he could find out what it was he would find contentment, which is the poor man's bank, and the manager of it very easy in the matter of overdrafts. Of course he lived also in the city, right in the central district, and still he could not feel at home. This was queer, because he greatly admired Hongkong, and he had what they nowadays call a Cooshy Job. More-over his liver was behaving itself.

Once he bought a clock because it had a strong, slow tick, and he thought it might remind him of the grandfather clock in his old home in the country, with whose pompous count of time all the really happy evenings of his life seemed somehow associated in his retrospections. It certainly helped for a while. He would sit down with his back to it, and read one of the old books, and presto! he was back at the other end of the winding lane-of-years, and happy for the while.

But that was what they now call camouflage, and it never really lasts. Facts beat against dreams like hail stones against a window pane, and a man simply must raise his eyes sometimes.

trees in front of it. That you will understand was the easiest thing for them, and they did not keep him waiting long. There came the first evening when he was to sit in his new home. He said afterwards that he did not suppose he would ever forget it, it was such an emotional adventure. He had surprised his fellow workers that evening by his eagerness to get away from the office, for as a rule he did not hurry. He got his easy chair, and his book, and his pipe, and sat on his new verandah. The magic began right away, and he knew that that which was lost was now found. This was home. Right opposite, through the twisty limbs of a fig tree, he could see one of those little hills that are so frequent in Hongkong, shaggy with small trees and bushes, all very soothing and green in the sunshine. It was so thrilling that he quite forgot his book (which was Hobbes's *Leviathan*) and he very nearly (but not quite) let his pipe go out. He could see all those little secret places that sunshine shows up on massed foliage, doorways to leafy grottoes where the diads play. There is always the chance that one of them will peep forth a moment, laughing and showing dazzling teeth. The birds go in to watch them, and come out chuckling and all affluter. So he sat there, and smoked, while the sun was going down. He says there was that peculiar throbbing hum as of a great dynamo, more a feeling than a noise, and threaded in it like a pattern a silvery fluting that he knew at once for the pipes of Pan. Fancy having Pan for a neighbour. What stupendous luck. There are actually some respectable people who have not heard that Pan lives here in Hongkong. The foliage darkened as the sun sank, and the bushes on the ridge itself were silhouetted against a sort of golden halo. The halo faded, and was not, dying away like a melody, and the hill itself became a black patch in a vast purple shadow. He was smiling when they turned up the light behind him and told him dinner was ready. Evening after evening he sat there, marking the jolly changes of the marching seasons, and felt at last that for sure

Home is the sailor, home from the sea,  
And the hunter is home from the hill.

"Thus in Hongkong was one man's 'housing problem' solved. But that, naturally, was some time ago."

## SUGGESTED REGULATION.

"A correspondent of our leading morning contemporary wants a 'regulation' prohibiting junks and sampans from anchoring, and especially discharging and loading cargo,

anywhere between the V.R.C. and the Star Ferry Pier. A moment's reflection and a knowledge of the neighbourhood will suggest that this is somebody at the Hongkong Club who objects to these things. He would probably be willing to prohibit any craft passing the Club windows that tarnished his ideal of attractive scenery. Was it by accident that he signed his suggestion 'Junker,' a word which in German has a meaning quite appropriate to the spirit of his proposals? The *China Mail* begs that the sampan people who tie up along that sheltered and convenient bit of sea wall be not molested. They are a convenience to the public, and they afflict nobody but curmudgeons who don't know how to live and let live.

## SCHOLAR'S LETTER.

That was a good point made by "Scholar" in last night's *China Mail*, that our elementary education needs revising before we put the coping stone on our University. But for that there should be no appeal for public subscriptions. It is a Government debt, an establishment charge that will have to be faced. Did "Scholar," by the way, get the right sense of the remark that a great difficulty at the University is the excessive amount of individual attention that has to be given to each student? Were we to understand from that, as he did, that students are admitted who are insufficiently grounded? If so, what have the entrance examiners been doing? Candidates from afar have to pass certain tests, and local students should not be admitted who cannot pass the same. Are they?

## DISPLAY.

In his notes about the new Governor, the contributor of "Sub Rosa" to-day refers to the dignity and prestige that are supposed to depend on official display. "Here in the east," he says, "appearances count for much. But this isn't the East. It is the Far East, and there's a difference. That which would impress the crowd in India would leave the Chinese cold. The Chinese have always been too democratic to be unduly impressed by pomp and show, and now that they are queasy Republicans, they would accept even an imperial procession like a mere circus promenade. Durbur displays solemnly affect Indians; they would only amuse Chinese."

## FIGURES.

One officer says 85 per cent of the Russians are anti-Bolshevik. Another says 95 per cent. Still another says 75 per cent. That's military mathematics, with a touch of propaganda. Maskee. Take the lowest as correct. Why should we be reproached for leaving 75 per cent in the lurch? If 75 cannot lick 25, they are not worth wasting good British lads on. Col. John Ward, whose talk about our "name stinking" was winded all over the world, has indeed defiled his own nest.

## ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

A Chinese passing through from Batavia was this morning charged before Mr. Smith with the unlawful possession of a revolver and 100 rounds of ammunition. Mr. J. H. Gardner appearing for the defence said that his client knew the law, but as he was taking the revolver right through with him to Swatow, he thought it would be allowed. Disturbances were going on at the present time up there and he would need it for protection. Mr. Gardner asked his Worship for a lenient fine. Inspector Boulger—There is some truth in the man's story, as he had possession of some Dutch money. His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 and ordered the arms and ammunition to be confiscated.

## THE VICTORIA THEATRE.

## A FINE PROGRAMME.

"Little Mary Sunshine" can weep, weep real, bitter tears, too. Admirers of Baby Marie Osborne, the Pathe screen star, will be pleasantly surprised by the strong emotional role in which this little girl appears in her new play, "The Voice of Destiny." It is a thrilling drama and far above anything that has been previously offered with Baby Marie in the leading part. "The Voice of Destiny" comes to the Victoria Theatre for three days, starting to-night.

## AMERICAN SAILOR IN TROUBLE.

An American sailor named Giddy was before Mr. Lindell this morning charged with behaving in a disorderly manner at Wanchai last night. It appeared that he went into a Japanese curio shop and took away some brass ornaments and plates. When the shopkeeper asked him to pay, he refused and struck him. Defendant denied the assault. His Worship fined him \$20, \$5 to be the compensation paid to the shopkeeper.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 42 3/16d.

The s.s. "Fakwo," (Capt. Brath) sailed for Shanghai at 7 a.m., to-day with 700 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Teenkai," (Capt. Price) arrived from Shanghai yesterday with 3005 tons of general cargo.

To-day's return of Communicable disease shows two cases of enteric and five of gastro-enteritis.

The s.s. "Alcorne," (Capt. Leonghing) sailed for Pakhoi at 5 a.m., to-day with 150 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Teenkai," (Captain Price) sailed for New York at 6 p.m., to-day with 800 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Daitoku Maru No. 5," (Capt. Mishima) arrived from Keelung yesterday with 1,615 tons of coal for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Kwangle," (Captain Sangster) sailed for Shanghai at 5 p.m., to-day with 1,000 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Tango Maru," (Captain Nishimura) sailed at 11 a.m., to-day for Melbourne with 400 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Sunning," (Captain Benson) arrived from Canton at 6.10 a.m., to-day with 96 tons of general cargo.

The A. P. Co.'s s.s. "Circe Shell," (Capt. Luchberg) sailed for Shanghai at 6 a.m., to-day with a through cargo of oil fuel.

The s.s. "Toyo Maru No. 1," (Capt. Konomura) arrived from Hongkong yesterday with 1,235 tons of coal for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Tamon Maru No. 1," (Capt. Nishinomiya) arrived from Keelung yesterday with 1,925 tons of coal for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Loksang," (Captain Simpson) arrived from Hongkong yesterday with a cargo of 1,634 tons of coal for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Paoting," (Captain Ritchie) arrived from Hongkong yesterday with a cargo of 1,000 tons of salt for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Hangsang," (Captain Holmwood) sailed for Shanghai at 6 a.m., to-day with 150 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Haiching," (Captain Thomson) sailed for Singapore via Amoy at daylight to-day with 700 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Tsanglee," (Capt. Watanabe) arrived from Chefoo via Weihaiwei yesterday with 1,300 tons of general cargo for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Songma," (Capt. Bertin) arrived from Halphong yesterday with 2 European passengers and 141 bags of mails. She brought no cargo.

The s.s. "Hanoi," (Capt. Morven) arrived from Halphong yesterday with 300 tons of general cargo, 8 European passengers and 37 bags of mails.

The s.s. "Kaiping," (Captain Pannier) cleared for Halphong to-day and is due to sail at 7 a.m., to-morrow with 220 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Kaiping," (Capt. Pannier) arrived from Halphong yesterday with 280 tons of general cargo and 1 bag and 1 basket of mails for Hongkong.

The s.s. "Kashing," (Captain Blackburn) arrived from Newchwang via Da-nai yesterday with 2,500 tons of general cargo of which 500 tons were for Hongkong.

The Treasurer of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul begs to acknowledge, most thankfully, the receipt of \$30, toward the funds of the Society from an anonymous donor.

The s.s. "Haihong," (Captain Evans) arrived from Swatow, Amoy and Foochow at 7 a.m., to-day with 400 tons of general cargo and mails. She brought 20 European passengers.

The s.s. "Thongwa," (Captain Carey) arrived from London via Singapore at 7.15 a.m., to-day with 50 tons of general cargo and 23 bags of mails for Hongkong. She reports the death of one lascar from pneumonia on the voyage. The remains were buried at sea.

Though the War Office frowns on the practice, the wearing of medal and order ribbons with civilian clothes is growing rapidly. It is a harmless vanity, extensively indulged in most European countries. But, vanity apart, another feeling which prompts the average wearer is his very natural desire that he shall not be regarded, now that we have returned to peace conditions, as one of those who escaped the meshes of the recruiters' net. Every man who wears a medal ribbon virtually challenges the man who does not. The practice is likely to spread.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Mr. J. A. Jamieson of Messrs. Arnold Bros., Canton, has just left the Government Civil Hospital after a long illness, necessitating a vacation at Shanghai and in Japan.

For being in unlawful possession of two pounds of gun shot which, he said, he was taking to his children as a present, a Chinese was fined \$10 at the Magistracy, yesterday.

A Japanese clerk of the Bank of Taiwan has reported the loss of a bag containing \$10,000 between Foochow and Hongkong while he was a passenger on the "Quinnebaug."

The wedding is announced to take place shortly at St. Joseph's Church, of Mr. R. M. Austin of Jardine, Matheson & Co., and Miss Margaret Grant Gordon, daughter of Mr. A. Grant Gordon, one of the oldest Scottish residents of the Colony.

The Raub Australian Gold Mining Co. advise the following output for the four weeks ended 13th inst.: Bukit Komau: Stone crushed, 4,884 tons, gold obtained 1,020 ozs., average ton 4.194 dwts.; Bukit Malacca: Stone crushed, 3,217 tons, gold obtained 292 ozs., average per ton 1,799 dwts.

The "Prize Packets," a fine combination of juvenile artists who charmed Hongkong not long ago when they appeared at the Victoria Theatre, are once more in our midst. They arrived from Amoy by the s.s. "Haihong" this morning after successful seasons at Shanghai, Tientsin, Peking and Amoy. They expect to show here.

One of the very few Scottish cave dwellers has died in Aberdeen infirmary as the result of being knocked down by a passing train. This was a McGregor Middleton, who for several years lived in a cave amidst the rocks and cliffs at Muchalls, near Aberdeen. He spent much of his time in reading, and was an expert catcher of fish and wild birds. It wasn't fair of the train to run into his cave.

The O.S.K. liner "Hawaii Maru" arrived in Colombo on August 30, in a disabled condition. When she was about 750 miles off Colombo there was a serious breakdown and she had to practically creep to Colombo. She is a twin screw boat, but one of the cylinders gave way entirely and she was obliged to come with the aid of only the other. There are over 500 Japanese emigrants on board, who are being conveyed to Brazil. She is being repaired by Messrs. Walker Sons and Co.

There is still a vacant Garrier, and rumour assigns it to Earl Beatty of Jutland (as it is supposed his new title will be). During the war Viscount French became a Knight of St. Patrick, and Sir Douglas Haig a Knight of the Thistle, so it would be in accordance with the fitness of things if the other leading Order of Knighthood were given to the Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Fleet. The senior Service, it must be admitted, has not been overloaded with honours. Two peerages and five baronetcies make a small figure in comparison with the seven peerages and four baronetcies bestowed upon the chiefs of the Army.

The Bombay papers are uttering a warning against the present mad speculation on the share market, which it is considered is far worse than its historic prototype of the sixties and presents ominous dangers to the industrial future of India. During the last few months new companies have been springing up by the score, and there is no sign of the crop falling. Many of them are probably very sound commercial concerns, but the orgy of gambling which has followed in their train has been amazing. In many cases business has been done in shares before the prospectus has been issued and shares are at premium before the vaguest details are known. The *Times of India* points out that the real evil of this speculation lies not so much in the possible ruin of a few foolish gamblers as in the effect on the industrial future of the country.

An exciting affair occurred on September 2 at Dharamtala Post Office, Calcutta, owing, it is said, to some disagreement over a money order. It appears that a lady named Miss. Coombes brought a charge of assault and theft of jewellery ten days ago against the Post Office officials for their refusing to deliver to her a money order, which was payable to her, unless she was identified by some responsible person. The charge proved to be a false one, and out of revenge she presented herself at the Dharamtala Post Office armed with the leg of a toilet table which had a nail driven into it on one side, and on the authorities again refusing to pay to her the sum in dispute she is alleged to have struck the Deputy Postmaster on the temple with this weapon, rendering him unconscious. The police arrested Miss Coombes. The injuries man was removed to the hospital, where he remains under treatment. He will be a brave man who marries this Miss.

## WANTS TO SHIFT THE UNIVERSITY.

## OVER TO KOWLOON.

In the course of a thoughtful article on the University, the *Daily Press* this morning makes a startling proposal. It says:

It will be noticed that of the million and a half dollars which it is now proposed to expend on the University practically one-third is to be devoted to the erection and equipment of new buildings. This is not, perhaps, a very formidable sum, but, as there is more to follow, we think it high time that the question was settled as to whether a mistake was not made in choosing the present site for the University, and, if so, whether it would not be wise to repair that mistake without further delay. The more capital that is sunk there the more difficult it will be to move elsewhere. On the mainland there is ample room for future extensions and for providing those facilities for recreation upon the importance of which Dr. Jordan, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, lays stress. One objection to the course we suggest is the inconvenience it might cause to the part-time lecturers and also to the medical students desirous of "walking the hospitals," though this latter should disappear when Kowloon is provided with a hospital of its own, as it must be in the near future. It is admitted that there are signs of congestion at the University, and already it has been found necessary to purchase an adjacent property known as "Haldon." On the island—or, at least, on this part of it—residential property can be spared, and it is probable that if the Government were to permit the sale of the present site the proceeds would be sufficient to provide for rebuilding in a district less populous and more salubrious both from a physical and moral point of view. Nobody would begrudge the gift, for it would cost the taxpayers nothing, while adding to the limited space available for housing accommodation in the neighbourhood. Courage, of course, is required in order to take the step, but still greater courage will be required later on. We urge those responsible to show a little of that "vision" for which H.E. the Officer Administering the Government has pleaded. We are glad to see some evidence of it in the acceptance of our suggestion for starting a School of Journalism in connection with Faculty of Arts.

## THE HOUSING QUESTION.

## GOOD NEWS FOR THOSE IN MILITARY QUARTERS.

The *China Mail* learns that the bogy of shortly becoming homeless is temporarily deferred for those civilian families occupying military quarters. In fact the military authorities are allowing one or two more to occupy quarters on the understanding that only short notice will be given.

This is a boon to many and the action of the Military ought to be, and no doubt is, much appreciated. The reason for the respite is that the new regiment is coming out with only one family whereas 50 or 60 were anticipated. If rather looks as if the new regiment will be composed of very young men.

There is reason to believe that the quarters can be occupied by civilians till the middle of next year. Having gained this respite it is up to the Government to build those small houses or flats.

## ANOTHER OLD BUILDING COMING DOWN.

Another rumour that has been going the rounds is to the effect that the old St. Joseph's College, Robinson Road, has also been sold to Chinese. We have made enquiries from the director of the College but are unable to get any information from that source. The building is, we are informed, the property of the Italian Mission and it is not known yet what will be done with it. We have since learned from another source that there is no foundation for the rumour that the building is, or will be sold to Chinese. The building is being pulled down, we are given to understand, with a view to erecting a larger and more substantial edifice which when completed will be handed over to the Italian Convent as an annex. This charitable institution, we are told, has outgrown its considerably large premises and expansion is not only desirable but necessary. The Christian Brothers are still in occupation of the new building known as St. Joseph's College annex and situated behind the main building.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## BOOTS—AND "POISONOUS REPTILES."

[To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL"]

SIR,—I am always pleased to be of help to my fellow mortals. "Enquirer" has made a nice calculation of the mileage "Jojo Gutz" has to walk with his boots—bless his mathematical head—but unfortunately he shows an utter ignorance of how Police Reservists do their duty. If "Enquirer" will call at the office of the *China Mail* he will be directed to me, when he will be shown a pair of black-boots which I purchased 4 years ago for *police duty*. This will enable him to save much of his hard-earned cash now spent on shoes, provided his feet are normally human.

"Jojo Gutz" ascribes my writing against him to malice. He cannot see that it was done out of pure benevolence,—that I was applying a poultice to his swollen-head. Megalomania can be cured in its incipient state, but if allowed to run its course, generally ends in Bedlam, and then poor "papa" and "mamma"! I really refuse to believe that "Jojo" has raised all this fuss and put on his brown-boots on parade, so as to have a chance of telling the public that they cost him \$17.50. He also suggests that I can devote my time to a more "profitable pursuit." What pursuit? "Jojo"? Entomology I suppose and the sending of poisonous reptiles as presents to friends and foes?

Those who live in a glass house should not throw stones.

Yours etc.

JOHN KESTREL

## COMING CONTRIBUTION TO HOUSING ACCOMMODATION?

There is a rumour that the Spanish Procurement Building and the grounds upon which it stands have been sold to Chinese and it is understood that the new owners are contemplating the erection of semi-European houses on the site.

## THE UNIVERSITY APPEAL AND THE FRIVOLOUS.

How many dollars did Mr. Severn ask for on behalf of the University? One five and five noughts. I guess they can put it down for one of the noughts. That's not right. You shop'd say one five and five noughts, and one of the noughts is yours. You really ought.

## VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

## ANNUAL AQUATIC SPORTS.

These are to be held on Thursday Oct. 2 and two following days. The list of events is thus drawn up:

## FIRST DAY.

- Two lengths Hurdles Handicap.
- Two lengths Novices Handicap.
- 340 yards Club Championship.
- Running Header.
- Ladies' Two Lengths Handicap.
- Two lengths Handicap.
- Girls' Two Lengths Handicap.
- Two lengths Team Race (Six men) Open to any unit, corps or club.

## SECOND DAY.

- Four Lengths Handicap.
- 100 Yards Handicap Boys' (Boys under 14 years of age).
- Long Plunge.
- Two Lengths Handicap Open to Army and Navy (Post entries).
- Two Lengths Handicap Ladies' (Winners of the 1st day barred).
- Two Lengths Handicap Final.
- Two Lengths Handicap Girls' (Winners of the 1st day barred).
- Two Lengths Team Race.

## THIRD DAY.

- Two Lengths Hurdle Handicap Final.
- 100 Yards Boys' Championship (Open to boys of 16 and under).
- 220 Yards Club Championship.
- High Dive.
- 100 Yards Ladies' Championship.
- Four Lengths Handicap and Final.
- 200 Yards Club Championship.
- Ladies' Nomination.
- Ladies' Consolation (Two Lengths) Winners this season barred.
- Water Polo.

Entrance close on Saturday the 27th September.

## ORGAN RECITAL.

The organ recital at St. John's Cathedral was well attended last evening. A well chosen programme was presented by Mr. J. W. White (organist) and Mr. A. E. Paine (soloist). At the conclusion, a collection was taken in aid of the Organ Fund and amounted to \$53.11. The following was the programme: Festival Prelude on "Eh, Feste Burg" (W. Fulkers); Romance in D Flat (Lemare); Solo: "How many hired servants" ("Frolic of the Sun") (Sullivan); MR. A. E. PAINE; Requiem Aeternam (B. Harwood); Tone Poem for Organ, "Yasna" (Pobrya) (Harvey Gull); Solo: "My hope is in the Everlasting" ("Daughter of Jairus") (Stainer); MR. A. E. PAINE; Allegretto in E Flat (Mr. Wolstenholme).



## "SUB ROSA."

[CONTRIBUTED.]

When these robes appear again, Sir Reginald Stubbs will have made his gubernatorial bow to the people of Hongkong, who will then have had some opportunities of seeing what manner of man it is that has become Hongkong's youngest Governor. If Sir Reginald is willing to be pleased with a thoroughly conscientious Governor, point of speech, fluent of manner, with an amazing capacity for work, and a never-failing sense of justice for the true merits of any matter, Sir Reginald will be a success in Hongkong.

Let no one chide him as to his youthful appearance. Reginald is the paragon of ripe, well-balanced brains, with administrative skill such as is not common among Colonial Governors. To nominal him of his youth is to miss a point that is not the less valuable because it is cloaked in ingenuitous courtesy. He is a master of debate, because he never makes the slightest point of his own youth, and never fails to reply to them. He has complete knowledge of the rules of debate as those who tried to get a pass out of him in the Council found to their cost.

The Hon. Mr. C. H. Atkinson will find in Sir Reginald one who agrees with him that the functions of the Legislative Council is to legislate. He is a stickler for thoroughness in everything, and an incomplete Bill, with omissions to be filled in by the Government, will not come up before the Legislative Council.

Sir Reginald Stubbs is a great loss to the dignity of the British Administration, especially in the East, where appearances count for a great deal. If he is here long enough, he will erect a group of Government buildings to replace the Army group on Murray Battery. But, which now serves but so many others.

The arrival of Sir Reginald's arrival naturally brings our thoughts to the very memorial scheme, which has been left over for his consideration and approval. The memorial will naturally be dovetailed into any scheme of town improvements which the Government has in mind. It will be very surprising indeed if, within the next month or thereabouts, we are not told that the Government will immediately commence the building of a new City Hall and Theatre, a European Hospital in Kowloon, a Union Jack Club in a central site near the Naval Yard, and of course, a new landing pier, with a tall monument, inscribed with the names of those Hongkong men who laid down their lives for their country.

The burning question will of course be the question of improving the communication between Hongkong and Kowloon. This question has been shelved so many times that the members of the Council ought to insist on a decision as early as possible. The growing importance of that suburb, and the monthly pilgrimage of new residents from Hongkong, make an underground tunnel an absolute necessity.

Personally, Sir Reginald is reserved, almost shy, and it will be many months before he achieves that kind of "democratic camaraderie" which made Sir Henry May and the Hon. Mr. Chaudhry so popular in their society. If he over-achieves it at all, Sir Reginald Stubbs is the working kind, and we shall find him putting in as many or more hours at his official desk as any subordinate clerk in the Government Service.

It was a splendid thought of someone to have the Hongkong Defence Corps Cadets join in the gubernatorial honour that will welcome Sir Reginald. The new Governor is a great supporter of the Cadet Movement, for he believes in training the citizens of the future on the right lines. The Hongkong Cadets, and Girl Guides, will be the object of much attention from Governor Stubbs, and if it is not too late, I hope that a detachment of Girl Guides will also be included in the guard-of-honour.

It is to be hoped that the members of the Legislative Council—particularly the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell and the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parnell—will lose no time in improving upon the new Governor that of all the improvements which have been shelved owing to the war, the question of paramount importance for the business life of this Colony is that of improving the shipping facilities in the Hongkong Harbour. The requirements of the port in regard to this matter are so thoroughly familiar to every business man that I will not labour the point. This is only meant as a reminder that leading and undulating facilities must be improved at Hongkong is going to receive the larger quantity of shipping that is already coming in a way, and that such improvements must be effected at the earliest possible moment.

## THE NEW GOVERNOR?

WHAT BE THESE NEW DIGGINGS?

Once again Mister Maindram is being disturbed in Statue Square, and a China Mail reader has asked us why. We haven't had time to find out for sure, but will not a three-month subscription that it's for "diggings" for the new Governor?

There ought to be one at this place where he lands, but we see no sign of a beginning there. May we suggest that an arch at the wharf is worth two in the Square?

## DEATH OF INSPECTOR LAMONT.

FUNERAL THIS EVENING.

We regret to announce the sudden death of Inspector Neil Lamont, of the Hongkong Police Force, which occurred at 10 p.m., yesterday at Tai Po, New Territories. The deceased, who was 38 years old, joined the Police Force as a Constable in 1897. He was widely respected by all members of the Force. He had not been feeling well recently, and last night when Sergeant Moore entered his quarters, he looked so sick that medical aid was sent for. He was on his way to hospital when he died at 10 p.m. Before coming to Hongkong he served in the Army in India with the Sikh Highlanders. He was a very efficient officer and during his time at the New Territories where he was in charge, he rendered valuable assistance to the Chinese authorities in surrounding a gang of robbers and kidnappers and saved three children from captivity. He also effected the arrest of three murderers who were alleged to have strangled to death a woman, a restaurant keeper. His many friends will hear with deep regret of his untimely demise. The funeral will take place this evening at the Protestant Cemetery, the body being brought from the mortuary at 5.30 p.m.

The Police Reserve Force having had a lingering death, one begins to wonder when the Hongkong Defence Corps is going to be demobilised, and then reconstituted on a voluntary basis. Volunteering is not a popular pastime to-day, for everyone feels that they have had enough, and that the need for drill and shooting practice is past. No one will deny that the Hongkong Defence Corps, as a body, did its bit manfully, and the members are entitled to a rest for a year or two. If the H.K.D.C. were demobilised to-day, and an immediate attempt was made to reform the Company on a voluntary basis, there would not be 30 men in Hongkong who would join.

The appeal made by the Hon. Mr. Chaudhry, on behalf of the Hongkong University, for the subscription of a million and a half dollars for immediate needs, is one that must call for the earnest consideration of the richer Chinese both in Hongkong and in China itself. The Chinese nation is under a debt to Britain that a University was established in this Colony and that it was provided, in pre-war days, with a staff of which any University in the East would have been proud. If diplomatically approached, there is no reason why the Chinese Government should not donate at least half a million dollars to the scheme.

When the Hon. Mr. Chaudhry goes on leave in February, it is very likely that Hongkong will have to bid him a long farewell. Mr. Severn is due for a promotion, which must come sooner than ever because of the tactical and able manner in which he has administered the Government of this Colony since the departure of Sir Henry May. Mr. Severn was Colonial Secretary of Hongkong before Mr. Stubbs (now Sir Reginald) was Colonial Secretary of Ceylon, and the truth is that severe disappointment was felt that the Colonial Office did not give Mr. Severn the Governorship of Hongkong.

Meanwhile, rumour has been busy with his name in connection with the Governorship of the Straits now vacant. If Mr. Severn is selected to succeed Sir Arthur Young, his appointment will be generally popular, for he is held in great esteem in British Malaya, where he served for many years before he came to Hongkong. It does not seem that there is any other vacancy imminent to which our Colonial Secretary can be appointed, unless it is to one of the new acquisitions in Africa. Sir Hugh Clifford, who succeeds Sir Frederick Lugard, has made way for Sir P. Guggisberg in the Gold Coast.

The revelations made at the hearing of the "flour" case against the M.B.K. in regard to the profiteering in flour by Hongkong firms ought to give the Government, the members of the Legislative Council and the general public food for thought. As it is with flour, so with sugar, and butter, and jam, and tinned foods, and milk, and ham, and bacon, and books, and everything.

DIOMEDES.

## FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

## JAPANESE LOAN TO THE OMSK GOVERNMENT.

PEKING, Sept. 22. The Russian Legation has not been informed regarding the Japanese loan of fifty million yen to the Omsk Government on the security of the gold holdings, which represent a value of six hundred and fifty million gold roubles.

The Legation, however, is aware that negotiations are proceeding in the Allied capitals with a view to lending moral support, money and munitions to Omsk.

The Legation admits that Japan may have been delegated to make a loan to facilitate exchange.—H.K. Daily Press Service.

## KUNG SUM-CHUM'S RESIGNATION.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 23. Tuan Kiu-sui's party held a meeting on September 21, and decided to ask Kung Sum-chum to act as Premier until such time as Tuan Kiu-sui is elected. President Chu Sui-cheng is said to approve the resignation of Kung Sum-chum, as he wishes Kam Wan-pang to become Premier.

## "BITTER FEELING."

Bitter feeling exists between the parties of Feng Kuo-chang, the former acting President, and Tuan Kiu-sui, the former Premier. The former wants to appoint Ng Pui-fu Military Governor of Hunan and Chai Si-yuen, commander of the troops at Shanghai. The latter party will not agree.

## KOREAN INDEPENDENCE MOVEMENT.

The Peking Government has telegraphed to the different provinces to strictly prohibit the holding of any meetings in connection with the Korean Independence Movement.

## THE RETURN OF TSINGTAO.

Kwo Wai-kwan, the Chinese delegate in Paris, has telegraphed to the Peking Government that the French and American delegates have expressed the opinion that Japan will make a formal declaration as to the return of Tsingtao to China before the next meeting of the American Senate.

## BALKAN STATES AND CHINA.

Luk Tsing-cheong has telegraphed to the Peking Government that the Balkan States wish to make treaties with China.—Commercial News.

## CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

[Translated for the China Mail from the Wah Yat Yee Po.]

## DR. SUN YAT SEN'S PEACE OPINION.

SHANGHAI, Sept. 23. Mr. Wong Yap Tong, the North chief delegate, paid a visit to Dr. Sun Yat Sen yesterday with the intention of getting his opinion regarding the peace Conference. In reply Dr. Sun, first of all, blamed General Tuan Chi-fu for his illicit actions against the laws of the country and then expressed his opinion that the only way to settle the present situation is to restore the old parliament with absolute freedom to exercise its functions.

## TRADE TREATY.

Mr. Lu Ching Chang, the chief delegate to Paris, reports that the Balkan states and the newly created nations of Central Europe wish to make a treaty with China.

## JAPANESE STOP CHINESE SQUADRON FROM PATROLLING.

General Sun Lih San, the Acting Tsuchan of Heilung-Kiang has wired a report to the Peking Government that the Japanese stopped the Chinese squadron from patrolling the Sung Fa Kiang river, and that his protest on the matter was disregarded. He asked that the matter should be referred to the Allies.

## KOREA WANTS INDEPENDENCE.

The Government has instructed the authorities of the frontier provinces to prohibit Koreans holding political meetings on Chinese soil. It is learned that Koreans are arming.

## THE NEW PREMIER.

The President intends to appoint Kam Wan Pang, the War Minister, to act as Premier if Kung Sum-chum has definitely refused to continue his service. Mr. Li Sze-ho, the Vice-Minister of Finance will be promoted to be Minister of Finance.

## COMPANY MEETING.

## HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO. LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. Ltd., was held yesterday at noon at the Hongkong Hotel. Mr. H. Humphreys presided and there were also present Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar and the Rev. Fr. Robert (Directors) Mr. W. A. L. Shenton, Solicitor to the Company, Messrs W. Morley, J. Tarrant, J. D. Humphreys, C. Forsyth, J. M. Alves, J. M. Wong (Shareholders) and G. Rapp (Secretary).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, This meeting has been convened for the purpose of adopting the New Articles of Association which have been advertised for the past fortnight as open to your inspection. All new clauses and such portions of old clauses as have been amended are underlined in red ink. The remuneration of the General Managers and Directors remains the same as under the old Articles and the changes effected are solely with a view to bringing the Articles up to date in accordance with the request made at the last Annual General Meeting by Mr. J. M. Alves.

Mr. Alves has been consulted in regard to these New Articles and some changes from the original draft have been made at his instance. I have no further remarks to make and therefore propose that the new Articles approved by this meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be and the same are hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company to the exclusion of and in substitution for all the existing Articles thereof.

Mr. J. M. Alves seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

R.P.—Wherever did you hear that? No, it is not true that during the rice famine the Executive Council proposed to issue free toothpicks to the starving poor.

"Pity Macadam."—We answer your query in a short article elsewhere. See "New Governor."

N.J.—We could allow you a small reduction if you don't want it posted. Isn't it worth \$12 a year to you?

## WILTSHIRES COMING.

Intimation has been received from the War Office that the 2nd Battalion Wiltshire Regiment will be posted to Hongkong for duty, and will arrive shortly.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## NOTICE.

OUR Interest and Responsibility in the business hitherto carried on by us under the name and style of W. R. LOXLEY & CO., at Hongkong, Canton and London, Merchants, ceased on the 1st April, 1919.

The said business as from that date has been acquired by J. A. RUSSELL & Co., Kuala Lumpur, P.M.S., who have assumed all responsibility for the liabilities of the firm as existing on that date and properly contracted during the period from that date to the present date.

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TUESDAY,

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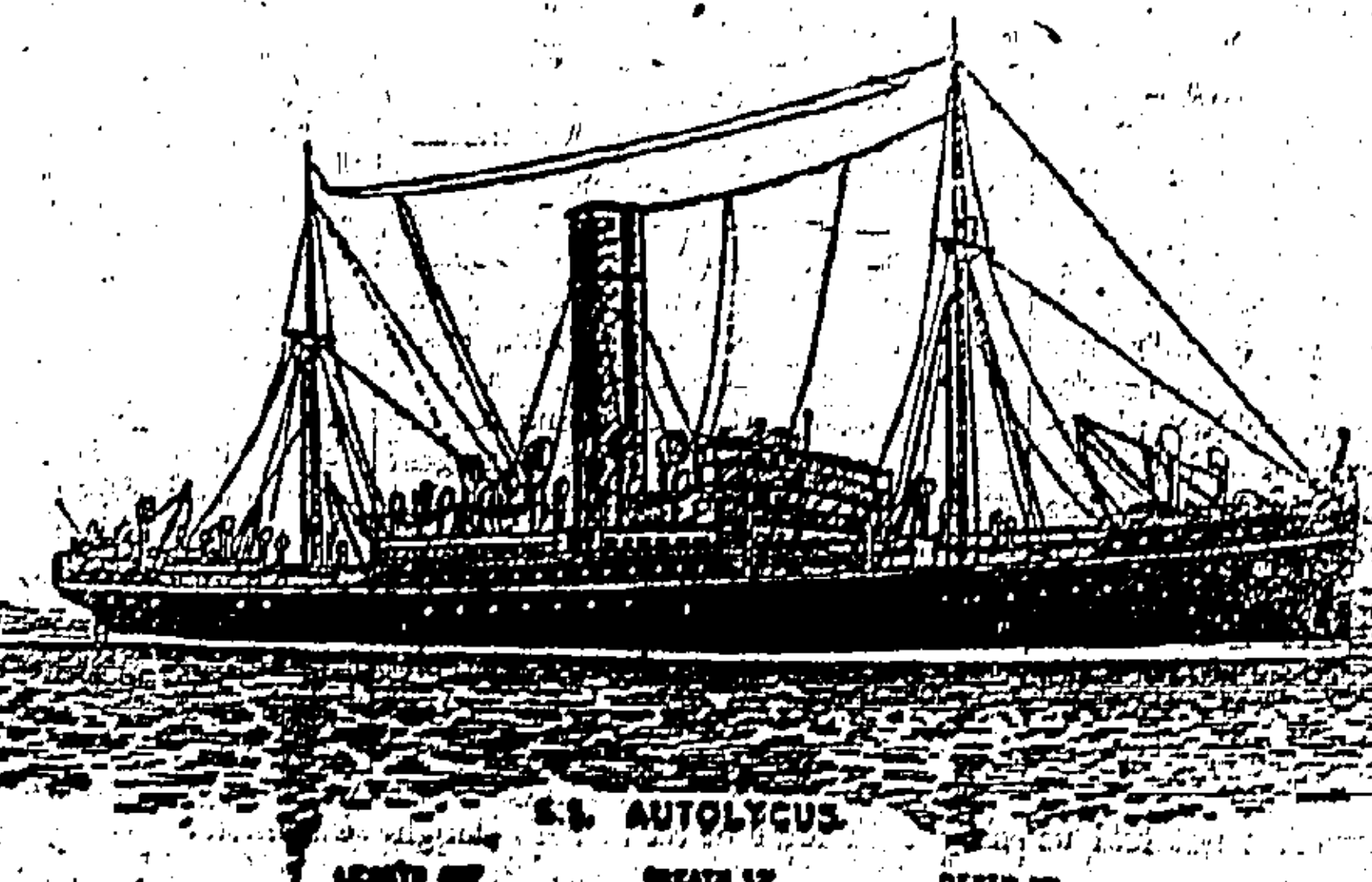
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## A JAPANESE MARRIAGE.

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There is nothing mysterious or hidden in the life of the Japanese. Like there is in the life of most Eastern nations. Indeed, there is far less privacy than among Europeans. Yet Occidentals often find it very difficult to understand their point of view. Especially is this the case in questions of marriage. We may contrast two similar cases—those of President Wilson and Mr. Tokonami, the Home Minister. The President had the misfortune to lose his first wife during his term of office, and, when a decent interval had elapsed, announced his intention of re-marrying. There were reasons of publicity—photographs and dispatches of the beautiful widow, who she was, where she came from, her amusements, her charities, her charm, where and when she had been married, how much her husband had left her, and so on—and now comes still of the wedding itself. It was all exactly what we know we should expect. American journalists, however, are always in search of a new sensation, and are not overburdened with sophistication, so perhaps they might learn something from the manner in which the Japanese Press treated the second marriage of Mr. Tokonami—which was in a sort of bond between the editorial and the "page 3" style.

The first Mrs. Tokonami died last April. The original relations of Mr. and Mrs. Tokonami had been an exemplary one they had been happy. The *Jiji* spares neither the Home Minister nor its readers a description of the sad moment of parting. Mr. Tokonami, it says, took his dying wife's hand and said "Go in peace." I think you for the care you have taken of me for so long. Taking a cup of water, he resumed. "Let us drink a parting cup." And with these words he conveyed some of the water in the cup into the mouth of his wife with a spoon and drank the rest of the contents himself together with his children. After this sentimental parting the lady quietly bled her hands and bearded her husband as gently as if she were going to sleep. The bereaved husband was inconsolable and wrote a series of reminiscences, which he entitled *Teniku-gumi* (an offering to the spirit of his deceased wife) and distributed printed copies of it among his friends and relations. The writing is said to have been couched in words so touching and expressive of tender love that nobody could read it without tears and a lively sympathy with the writer for the irreconcilable misfortune which had overtaken him.

A MARRIAGE HAS BEEN ARRANGED. On the 22nd July—that is, a little over a hundred days after his loss—it was unexpectedly reported in the papers that he was going to marry a lovely widow of thirty, the daughter of Baron Miyagawa, the High Priest of the Kasuga Shrine in Nani; and the wedding took place next day at the Shinto Shrine at Hibiya, Tokyo. In this connection, Mr. Tachibana, Secretary to the Home Minister, who seems to have had a considerable share in bringing about the marriage, spoke as follows (we quote from the *Nichi-Nichi*): "A believer in simplicity and straightforwardness, Mr. Tokonami objected to the idea of the wedding being celebrated in usual form and proposed that the ceremony should be held in the presence of the relatives of both parties and his friends alone, and that it should take the form of a solemn announcement before the memorial tablet of his late wife. Having three children to look after and it being impossible to leave the care of his household to a maid-servant, he was urged by his friends to re-marry. A lady being selected, he was asked to see her, but he replied that if his friends thought her suitable it was not for him to object. To this, however, the lady's relations objected and a mild (mutual) seeing) was held. At the meeting of the relatives held at his official residence recently (Mr. Tokonami being keenly interested in religious 'harmonisation' schemes), Abbot Heiki of the Eiheiji temple remarked to him that he had believed that he was going to remain single during the rest of his life, for the sorrow and lamentations filling his 'Offering' had led people to believe that he would never receive a second wife. But Mr. Tokonami answered that he was not a religiousist but a layman and politician and that it was impossible for a politician to lead a complete life single-wheeled. Lady Mitsuko (the bride) is going to resume the name of his former wife, Kyo."

A VERY AWEWARD SITUATION. Western readers (especially the ladies) will agree that the mist was advisable. It would hardly be respectful to the lady to exhibit such entire indifference as to take her merely because she was well recommended. The lady, whose photograph suggests goodness and seriousness as well as beauty, showed the ready self-effacement so charming in her countrywomen, but the bridegroom, it might be felt, should not take everything for granted, but take an interest in her personally—this more since he found the personality of his first wife so precious. However, Mr. Tachibana has not told us

all. The newspapers also tell a story of other political satellites who had Mr. Tokonami's domestic felicity thrust upon them. With the "Offering" in mind they hesitated to approach Mr. Tokonami on the subject, unless they could find his wavering consent with a firm (and attractive) offer. So they took the somewhat irregular course of approaching the lady first—she being the beautiful widow of a distinguished diplomat. The lady consented, and the satellites were just scrambling up their courage to see the Minister on the subject, when he appeared, very spruce, with nothing of the manner of a politician, announcing that he would not attend office this day, as he was getting married! Perhaps the papers overstate the dramatic coincidence. But the satellites' obligation was an unenviable one, and for the lady, with all her Japanese training, it must have been a difficult moment to pass over without betraying the fact that she had other feelings besides a desire that her visitors should be as cases. We may be sure she came through the ordeal with more dignity than the satellites. But it is possible to imagine Mr. Tachibana and Mr. MacAdoo having a race to see who would be first to find a lovely widow for the President? We may be sure the President did his own share. But this, in Japan, are the private affairs of great men not only arranged for them but discussed in public as well. They even tell us that the second Mrs. Tokonami was not exactly a widow, but was formerly married to a brother of her Majesty the Empress, the marriage being dissolved for some one of the many reasons which in Japan are considered sufficient reason for separating those whom the law hath joined.

The Japanese idea of marriage is not purely business-like nor is the Western idea purely romantic—both are blends, and blends in different proportions. And in both East and West there is a disposition to call on other people to bear the burden of the marriage. It is due to this tendency or in protest against it that the following comments are made. Totally unexpected and a little irregular in some respects, the Tokonami marriage could not fail to attract comments, although no paper thought it worth commenting on in a leading article. The comments summarised below were printed in out-of-the-way corners (as it were) of the papers after the manner of gossip talking behind their sleeves.

A contributor in the *Jiji* signing himself (or herself) "A Widow" writes: "It is reasonable that a young person should re-marry when bereaved of a mate; but Eastern usage is so deeply rooted here that while a widow may not only immediately re-marry but require a third or fourth wife without arousing any adverse comment, public feelings are against a widow venturing on re-marriage so that it is not at all rare for young women early deprived of their husbands to remain single during the rest of their days. This comes of these Confucian teachings which permeate the manners and customs of this country and according to which a faithful wife must not see a second husband. But why should there be such a difference between men and women? To take recent occurrences as examples, Mr. Tokonami, the Home Minister, re-marrying before 100 days had elapsed after the death of his former wife and the Press is rushing much of it—a fact on which Mr. Tokonami is to be highly congratulated. On the other hand, the wife of Yamada Ken, the notorious murderer was severely taken to task for having been re-married to him (Yamada) within one year of the death of her first husband. [And still more severely, it may be added, for divorcing Yamada after his arrest.] Is it thus undeniable that public comment is lenient to men and hard on women in the matter of re-marriage? Should the wife of a departmental minister or a man of a like position re-marry only 100 days after the death of her husband, what would people say?"

MR. TOKONAMI DEFENDED. Another writer in the same journal, evidently a friend of Mr. Tokonami, writes in an apologetic tone:—"Re-marriage once admitted to be justifiable, why should it be wrong to re-marry 100 days after the death of one's spouse, while it is right to do so after the lapse of one year? Perhaps the former is contrary to custom, but custom is not necessarily sound. What is the moral ground on which is founded the custom of deferring re-marriage until one year has elapsed? Confucius taught that it was filial piety not to alter one's father's ways for three years after his death, because, says a commentator, a man is in mourning for the space of three years after the death of his father. I only contend that there is no absolute reason why the limit should be one year and not 100 days. Mr. Tokonami is a statesman leading a busy life, and on that account and for the proper education of his youngest daughter, aged 12 years, he felt that it was necessary for him to re-marry. At the same time he was probably prepared for his early re-marriage exciting unfavourable comment; but he was not such a coward or hypocrite as to have put off for nine months what he believed to be necessary both for himself and his daughter.

## LUNATIC IN COURT.

A coffee was before Mr. Smith this morning charged with behaving in a suspicious manner at 3.30 this morning in Des Vaux Road Central.

A European Sergeant said he was on duty in Des Vaux Road Central, when he saw defendant wandering about from place to place, and looking up at all the buildings in the vicinity. He with a Chinese detective went up to him and asked him what was the matter when he said "I wanted to steal!" He was arrested and brought to the Station.

Mr. Smith: Why were you wandering about so early in the morning?

Defendant (surprised): I don't know.

The Interpreter: What were you doing in Des Vaux Road Central this morning?

Defendant: I didn't do anything.

The Interpreter: Were you stealing or were you going to murder somebody?

Defendant: No, I didn't murder anybody. When did I do?

Mr. Smith: How many years have you been in Hongkong?

Defendant: Where in Hongkong, I have never been to that place.

The Interpreter: Can't you understand what we are speaking about? The place you are in is Hongkong?

Defendant: I never knew that.

Mr. Smith: How many years have you been in Hongkong? Five years?

Defendant: No, oh yes, five years I was in Hongkong.

Inspector Boulenger: He is out of his senses, I think.

Mr. Smith: I don't know what to do with him. Send him to jail for fourteen days under special guard and he is to be examined.

Mr. The people, however, who read his "Offering" must have been surprised at his marriage, and rightly at first sight, but he is a man who knows how to be sorry without wholly giving himself up to grief and despair. He wrote his "Offering" with a view to explore his grief once and for all. It is a well-known fact that when a man cries to his heart's content, he finds himself relieved of his pent-up feelings. Mr. Tokonami wrote his "In Memoriam," he cried heartily under the public gaze. Viewed in this light, his "Offering" might have prepared one to expect his second marriage. Anyhow, when one meets with an act which is contrary to custom, one feels a shock as when a machine working easily and smoothly is suddenly brought to a standstill by a slight obstacle. It is this psychological condition which renders the work of reform difficult.

DISPARITY IN AGE BETWEEN A MARRIED COUPLE. Writing in the *Kokumin*, a lady of the name of Nishikawa Fumiko remarks:—

"Mr. Tokonami is 54 years old and his new wife only thirty. Women who have no desire for knowledge and are confined at home, uneducated and unskilled, as the women in this country have so far been, may age much earlier than men; but in the case of cultured women of the present day, why should they decay earlier than men? In Europe there are people who urge that the difference in age between a couple going to be united in wedlock should be legally provided not to exceed five years—a view which I heartily endorse because an ideal marriage is the union of a man and woman of the same age. In case of re-marriage, however, a widow often marries a young woman twenty or even thirty years her junior, and such a marriage is invariably contracted on the plea that a house must have a mistress and the children a mother! Is it right that a sober old gentleman, who gives himself out to be solicitous about the maintenance of good morals and the perpetuation of a pattern for others to follow and who finds it morally objectionable that mushroom millionaires are clothed in fine linen and fur sumptuously, should marry a young woman does not amuse himself with a *geisha* or prostitute. So long as it is fashionable for old widowers to marry young women, there will be prostitutes all the same, even though professional prostitution may be put an end to. However, love is proverbially said to be blind and an exception may perhaps be claimed where such a union is founded on love. But in the case of Mr. Tokonami, his lady was introduced to him by his accommodating secretary. I understand it was his expressed desire to have a woman who would observe the family ways formed by his late wife. The new lady is a happy woman to have been married to a man who is so affectionate to the memory of his late wife as Mr. Tokonami seems to be. I could not help smiling at the dramatic knack which Mr. Tokonami showed himself to have in a large measure by proposing that the new wedding should be celebrated before the picture of his deceased lady and that the name of his new wife should be altered into that of his old wife."

The lady who wrote this certainly has the taste and very well developed. She confesses her own immaturity in suggesting that Japan is too young for discretion.—*Japan Chronicle*.

## SPORTING MEN AND PARS.

Mr. E. C. Kirk, the Surrey County amateur, playing for the London County, Westminster, and Parr's Bank, brought off a sensational bowling feat, the like of which he has never before accomplished in this grade of cricket. After the Bank had scored 146 (Mr. W. D. Bradley 85), Mr. Kirk helped to put the batsmen out for 26. The Bank left-handers captured 9 for 6 and took 5 wickets with 5 consecutive deliveries.

Supporters of some of the Scottish League clubs are protesting strongly against the increased charges for admission to League matches next season. Petitions have been signed by some thousands of persons who have pledged themselves not to attend League matches until the old charges are restored. If these objections keep their word the position of the clubs will be serious. In the opinion of the club officials, however, it is believed that when the season opens the dissatisfied ones will accept the inevitable and pay.

J. Douglas Edgar, professional to the Dural Hills Club, Atlanta, Georgia, won the Canadian Open Golf Championship at Hamilton, Ont., with the record score (for 72 holes) of 278. He played sensational golf, and his score was 15 strokes better than his nearest rivals, three of whom fell for second place. These were James Barnes, the Western open champion, Karl Ketter, of Toronto, who won the Canadian championship when it was last played for at Toronto in 1914, and Master Bobbie Jones, the Atlanta amateur, who as a boy of 14 reached the third round of the American amateur championship at Haverford, Pa., three years ago. Edgar, before leaving England this year, was professional to the Northumberland Club, at Gosforth.

Tottenham House-pur, like all other clubs, have been busy team-building. The players so far engaged by them for next season include:—

Goalkeepers: Jacques, Chayrakis (the French international), and W. French, M.M. (Gillingham).

Defenders: Clay, Pearson, A. Goodman (Gillingham), and R. Brown (Thornycroft).

Half-backs: Elliot, Grimsdell, James Minter, B. Smith (Huddersfield), J. Skinner (a schoolboy international), and J. Archibald (Motherwell).

Forwards: Walden, Cantrill, Ellis, Banks, Middlemiss, A. Lindsay (Bath Town), H. Lomax (St. Mirren Juniors), C. Wilson (Covington), A. Redpath (a schoolboy international), J. Danmuck (Orient), and J. Chipperfield.

All except Chayrakis are professionals.

A young player, Miss Christina Clarke, has established a ladies' record for the Reddish-Vale golf course, Lancs., going round in 78. Miss Clarke, who is only 18 years of age, competed in the Ladies' English Championship at St. Anne's in May, but was beaten in the first round by Mrs. Medington.

In connection with Hobbs' scores of 113 at Lord's, and 120 (not out) on the Oval, it is interesting to note that, except W. G. Grace, no batsman has previously made a hundred at the two grounds in Gentlemen v. Players matches in the same season. Dr. Grace performed the feat three times; in 1879, 1872 and 1873.

Before the Football and Southern Leagues came to an agreement regarding the transfer of players, Southern clubs often strengthened their teams by engaging well-known players from Northern or Midland clubs. The agreement, however, practically put a stop to that, as the Southern clubs were unable to pay the high transfer fees that were demanded, and it is generally recognised that from that time the strength of many of the clubs in the South declined. Now that the agreement has been ended by the Southern League, club supporters in the South are taking keen interest in names of players who are being engaged to appear with Southern clubs next season.

Swindon Town have obtained the signature of Harold Fleming, their old forward, for next season.

Plymouth Argyle have re-engaged the following players—S. Atterbury, M. Russell (the Welsh international), back; W. Forbes, S. J. Davis, and J. McCormick, half-backs; J. Kirkpatrick, Kellock and S. Biot, forwards. Newcomers will include Bull, the former Northampton forward, and David Jack, son of the Argyle manager, who was given a trial by Chelsea.

J. H. Taylor, the Mid-Surrey golf professional, and five times open champion, left England in company with the Aga Khan on July 20, for a month's tour of the Continent. The tour will include visits to Switzerland and France. Taylor does

## WHOLESALE ARREST OF STUDENTS IN CANTON.

### GENERAL STUDENTS' STRIKE MAY FOLLOW.

More than one hundred and sixty middle school students, who persisted in carrying on the boycott movement by preventing the importation of the so-called "low grade" goods, thus defying the order of the Police Commissioner Ngai Bong-ping to suppress the crusade, were arrested by several hundred armed policemen between five and six o'clock last evening.

The students were assembled in the Native Customs "Building" near the Y.M.C.A. on the Bund, and vigilantly looking for "low grade" goods under inspection in the Native Customs, when they were suddenly surrounded by several hundred gendarmes who promptly placed all of them under arrest, and marched them directly to the Police Station of the Sixth District, where the youthful crusaders were temporarily pending further action on the part of the police authorities.

Upon learning of the startling news of the wholesale arrest of their comrades, the students of the Middle School Students' Union were very provoked, and threatened to declare a general strike of all the middle schools in order to secure the release of those under arrest.

not anticipate taking part in any matches.

The following are the dates of the Association International matches to be played next season:—

October 4: England v. Wales, in England (Victory match); October 11: Wales v. England, in Wales (Victory match); October 25: Ireland v. England, in Ireland; November 15: England v. Ireland, in England (amateur); February 14: Ireland v. Wales, in Ireland; February 29: Wales v. Scotland, in Wales; March 13: Scotland v. Ireland, in Scotland; March 15: England v. Wales, in England; April 10: England v. Scotland, in England.

At Latham-on-Thames Victory Regatta recently the punting handicap for the Latham Cup was won by E. Berg, Assoc., who beat F. W. Frederick, scot., in the final.

The Ladies' Champion Croquet Cup at Richmond recently was won by Miss D. D. Steel, who was the holder. She accomplished an excellent performance in winning 10 games out of 18, beating her own record of 14 games in 1914.

In the rifle shooting competition at Bilsley recently the results were: London and Middlesex Counties Rifle Association, King's Prize, first stage, Mr. Downes, 91; Stock Exchange Rifle and Revolver Club, Mr. T. Coates, 83; North London Rifle Club (ten shots) 800, 500, and 600 yards, Mr. Rose, 180.

The 25 miles N.C.U. championship at New Brighton, Liverpool, on Bank Holiday was an eventful contest. H. E. Ryan, London Polytechnic, the holder, was put out of the race by a puncture four miles from the finish, and in the final lap four riders crashed, S. F. Bailey, London Polytechnic, and W. Watkins, Pembroke, having to be carried off the track. The winner was S. Wagstaff, Suffolk R., in 68min. 0.2-sec., second place going to A. Byron, Wallasey Boro. Ryan secured the one-lap cycle scratch race by a narrow margin from A. White, of Southshore. In the running races A. G. Hill, Polytechnic H., the half-mile and mile champion, accomplished a fine performance, winning the mile handicap from scratch in 4min. 25sec., and on a wet track H. F. Edwards, Polytechnic H., captured the 220 yards, off three yards, a shade under 25sec.

David Gregory, whose death took place at Sydney recently, will have an honoured place in cricket history as the captain of the first Australian team in England. The tour in 1878 established once for all the fame of Australian players. Born on April 15, 1845, David Gregory was in his 75th year. For some considerable time before he came to England he and his brothers were among the most prominent cricketers in New South Wales. He was not a batsman with any special distinction of style, but his defence was so strong that on hard wickets he could get plenty of runs. In March, 1877, he played at Melbourne for the Australian team that just beat an England eleven on level terms. He was Sydney Gregory's uncle.

The chief results at Cookham Regatta recently were: Double sculls, H. Funn and W. A. Potter; single skiffs, Guy Lacey; double skiffs, A. Liddist and Guy Lacey; mixed doubles, Miss M. Shaw and H. E. Howens; maiden four-oared race, Abbey House. The winning crew included three blinded officers from St. Dunstan's.

F. Burch, the Plymouth Argyle centre-forward, has been transferred to Swansea.

John Eadie, one of the best centre-forwards St. Mirren have had, has been transferred to Reading.

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## WEATHER REPORT.

September 24d. 11h. 10m.—No returns from Vladivostok, Weihaiwei, Japan or Formosa.

Pressure has increased slightly along the east coast of China and is nearly stationary at other reporting stations.

Fresh monsoon will continue along the south-east of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 67.81 inches, against an average of 73.86 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on September 25th:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. E. winds, fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel. N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

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